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## Koch Exploration Company DRILLING PROGRAM

## North Alger 1-34SWD

WELL: North Alger 1-34SWD PROPOSED DEPTH: 5,000 MD

COUNTY: Uintah TRUE VERTICAL DEPTH: 5,000' TVD

API: TBD ELEVATION: 5,295' GL

ESTIMATED RKB: +/-5,307' KB

**SHL:** 953' FNL & 665' FEL (NENE) Section 34, T10S, R19E S.L.B.&M.

39.908228, -109.761103 (NAD 83)

## 1. & 2. Estimated Tops of Important Geologic Markers:

Estimated Depths of Anticipated Water, Oil, Gas, or Mineral Formations:

<u>Formation</u>	<u>TVDepth</u>	Potential Problems	<u>Resource</u>
Uintah	Surface		
Green River	960'	Lost Circulation	Possible OII
Top Upper Conf.	2,765'		
Base Upper Conf.	2,872"		
Wasatch	4,326"		Possible Gas
Top Lower Conf	4,335'		
Base Lower Conf.	4,443'		
TD	5,000'		
Max Anticipated Bo	ottom Hole Pr	essure	2,150 psi
Max Anticipated Su	ırface Pressu	ıre (MASP)	1,050 psi

## 3. Pressure Control Equipment (Schematic Attached):

Please see attached diagram.

### 4. Proposed Casing & Cementing Program:

Please see attached table.

## 5. Drilling Fluids Program:

Well to be drilled using closed loop system.

Please see attached table.

## 6. Evaluation Program:

Mud logging program TBD. If any, loggers will be out before Top of Wasatch through TD. Cased hole logs will be run from TD through surface casing.

## 7. Abnormal Conditions:

Maximum anticipated bottom hole pressure calculated at 5,000' TVD, approximately equals 2,150 psi, assuming 0.64 psi/ft bottom hole pressure gradient.

Maximum anticipated surface pressure equals approximately 1,050 psi, per Onshore Order No. 2 equation:

Max Anticipated Surface Pressure (MASP)

MASP = Pore Pressure at next csg point – (0.22 psi/ft X TVD of next csg point).

Where 0.22 psi/ft is the partially evacuated pressure gradient

## 8. Anticipated Starting Dates:

Drilling is planned to commence after approval of this application, pending winter location construction and drill timing.

#### 9. Variances:

Please refer to the attached Drilling Program. Onshore Order # 2 – Air Drilling Variance

Koch Exploration Company, LLC (KEC) respectfully requests a variance to several requirements associated with air drilling outlined in Onshore Order 2:

- Blowout Prevention Equipment (BOPE) requirements
- Mud program requirements
- Special drilling operation (surface equipment placement) requirements associated with air drilling

This Standard Operating Practices addendum provides supporting information as to why KEC air drilling practices for constructing the surface hole should be granted a variance to Onshore Order 2 air drilling requirements.

The reader should note that the air rig is used only to construct a stable surface casing hole through a historically difficult lost circulation zone. A conventional rig follows the air rig, and is used to drill and construct the majority of the wellbore.

#### Background:

In a typical well, KEC would utilize an air rig for drilling the surface casing hole, an interval from the surface to surface casing depths, which vary in depth from 1,000 to 2,500 feet. The air rig drilling operation does not drill through productive or over pressured formations in the KEC operated field, but does penetrate the Uinta and Green River Formations. The purpose of the air drilling operation is to overcome the severe loss circulation zone in the Green River known as the Bird's Nest while creating a stable hole for the surface casing. The surface casing hole is generally drilled to approximately 500 feet below the Bird's Nest.

Before the surface air rig is mobilized, a rathole rig is utilized to set and cement conductor pipe through a competent surface formation. Generally, the conductor is set at 40 feet. In some cases, conductor may be set deeper in areas that the surface formation is not found competent. This rig also drills the rat and mouse holes if necessary in preparation for the surface casing and production string drilling operations.

The air rig is then mobilized to drill the surface casing hole by drilling a  $12 \frac{1}{4}$  inch to just above the Bird's Nest interval with an air hammer. The hammer is then tripped and replaced with an  $12 \frac{1}{4}$ " inch tri-cone bit. The tri-cone bit is used to drill to the surface casing point, approximately 500 feet below the loss circulation zone (Bird's Nest). The 9 5/8 inch surface casing is then run and cemented in place, thereby isolating the lost circulation zone.

KEC fully appreciates Onshore Order 2 well control and safety requirements associated with a typical air drilling operation. However, the requirements of Onshore Order 2 are excessive with respect of the air rig layout and drilling operation procedures that are currently in practice to drill and control the surface casing hole in KEC fields.

#### **Variance for BOPE Requirements**

The air rig operation utilizes a properly lubricated and maintained air bowl diverter system which diverts the drilling returns to a six-inch blooie line. The air bowl is the only piece of BOPE equipment which is installed during drilling operations and is sufficient to contain the air returns associated with this drilling operation. As was discussed earlier, the drilling of the surface hole does not encounter any over pressured or productive zones, and as a result standard BOPE equipment should not be required. In addition, standard drilling practices do no support the use of a BOPE on 40 feet of conductor pipe.

#### **Variance for Mud Material Requirements**

Onshore Order 2 also states that sufficient quantities of mud material shall be maintained or readily accessible for the purpose of assuming adequate well control. Once again, the surface hole drilling operation does not encounter over pressured or productive intervals, and as a result there is not a need to control pressure in the surface hole with a mud system. Instead of mud, the air rigs utilize water from the reserve pit, or from tanks spotted on location for closed loop drilling, for well control, if necessary. A skid pump which is near the reserve pit or tanks will supply the water to the well bore.

#### Variance for Special Drilling Operation (surface equipment replacement) Requirements

Onshore Order 2 requires specific safety distances or setbacks for the placement of associated standard air drilling equipment, wellbore, and reserve pits. The air rigs used to drill the surface holes are not typical of an air rig used to drill a producing hole in other parts of the US. These are smaller in nature and designed to fit locations in the Natural Buttes area.

Typically, the blooie line discharge point is required to be 100 feet from the well bore. In the case of a KEC well, the reserve pit or closed loop system is only 45 feet from the rig and is used for the drill cuttings. The blooie line, which transports the drill cuttings from the well to the reserve pit or discharge of the closed loop system, subsequently discharges only 45 feet from the well bore.

Typically the air rig compressors are required to be located in the opposite direction from the blooie line and a minimum of 100 feet from the well bore. At the KEC locations, the air rig compressor are approximately 10 feet from the well bore and approximately 60 feet from the blooie line discharge due to the unique air rig design. The air compressors are located on the rig (1250 cfm) and on a standby trailer (1170 cfm). A booster sits between the two compressors and boosts the output from 350 psi to 2000 psi. The design does put the booster and standby compressor opposite from the blooie line.

Lastly, Onshore Order 2 addresses the need for an automatic igniter or continuous pilot light on the blooie line. The air rig does not utilize an igniter as the surface hole drilling operation does not encounter productive formations.

## Variance for FIT Requirements

KEC also respectfully requests a variance to Onshore Order 2, Section III, Part Bi, for the pressure integrity test (PIT, also known as a formation integrity test (FIT)). This well is not an exploratory well and is being drilled in an area where the formation integrity is well known. Additionally, when a FIT is run with the mud weight as required, the casing shoe frequently breaks down and causes subsequent lost circulation when drilling the entire depth of the well.

#### Conclusion

The air rig operating procedures have effectively maintained well control while drilling the surface holes in the Natural Buttes field. KEC respectfully requests variance form Onshore Order 2 with respect to air drilling well control requirements as discussed above.

#### 10. Other Information:

### **DIRECTIONS TO LOCATION:**

Proceed in a westerly direction from Vernal, Utah, along U.S. Highway 40 approximately 13.9 miles to the junction of State Highway 88. Exit left and proceed in a southerly direction along State Highway 88 approximately 16.8 miles to Ouray, Utah. From Ouray, proceed in a southerly direction along the Seep Ridge Road (County B Road 2810) approximately 9.5 miles to the junction of Turkey Track Road (County B Road 5110). Exit right and proceed in a southerly direction along the Turkey Track Road approximately 1.6 miles to the junction of Willow Creek Road approximately 1.2 miles to the junction of Hill Creek Road (Tribal Road 5125). Exit right and proceed in a westerly then southerly direction along the Hill Creek Road approximately 0.5 miles to the junction of County Road 5220 (Class D). Exit right and proceed in a northerly then southwesterly direction along County Road 5220 approximately 6.9 miles to a second Class D County Road to the West. Exit right and proceed in a westerly then northwesterly direction along the second Class D County Road approximately 2.5 miles to a third Class D County Road to the southwest. Exit left and

proceed in a southwesterly then northwesterly direction along the third Class D County Road approximately 0.6 miles to the proposed access road. Follow road flags in a westerly then northwesterly direction approximately 130 feet to the proposed well location.

Total distance from Vernal, Utah to the proposed well location is approximately 53.6 miles in a southwesterly direction.

#### **WELL CONTROL**

Pressure Control Equipment:

11" 5M with one annular and 2 rams.

BOP schematic attached.

**BOP Testing:** 

BOP will be tested with a professional tester to conform to Onshore Order #2. Blind and Pipe rams will be tested to rated working pressure, 5,000 psi. Annular Preventer will be tested to 50% working pressure, 2,500 psi.

Casing will be tested to 0.22 psi / ft. or 1,500psi. Not to exceed 70% of burst

strength, whichever is greater.

All lines subject to well pressure will be tested to the same pressure as the

blind and pipe rams.

All BOPE specification and configurations will meet Onshore Order #2 requirements.

### **MUD LOGGING PROGRAM**

GAS DETECTION: Continuous from spud to Total Depth.

Geologist to oversee sample collection as per following schedule:

**Sample Collection:** 

Interval<br/>30'Depth<br/>Surface Casing – TDSets<br/>2Or as directed by KEC personnel or site Geologist.

## **CASING PROGRAM**

Casing String	Depth	Hole Size	Casing OD	Casing ID	Weight	Grade	Burst Psi	Collapse	Body/Jt Yld	Thread
Conductor	0 - 40'	24	20"							
Surface	+/- 2500'	12 1/4"	9 5/8"	8.921	36#	J-55	3520	2020	564/453	LTC
Production	+/-5000	8 3/4"	7"	6.184	29#	L-80	8160	7020	676/587	LTC

## Surface Casing:

Burst Assumption: Casing will be tested to 0.22 psi / ft. or 1,100psi. Not to exceed 70% of burst strength, whichever is greater.

0.73 psi/ft = frac gradient at surface shoe

Bp=0.73\*2500 Bp=1825 psi Safety Factor= 1.9

Collapse Assumption: Fully evacuated casing with Max MW

Cp=max MW \* 0.052\*Depth

Cp= 14\*0.052\*2500 Cp=1825 psi Safety Factor =1.1

Tension Assumption: Air weight of csg

T=36\*2500 T=90,000

Body yield SF= 6.2 Joint Strength SF=5.0

## Production Casing:

Burst Assumption: Casing will be tested during completion operations as needed for fracture stimulation design.

0.64 psi/ft = bottomhole frac gradient

Bp=0.64\*5000 BP=3200

Safety Factor= 2.6

Collapse Assumption: Fully evacuated casing with Max MW

Cp=max MW\*0.052\*Depth Cp=12.3\*0.052\*5000

Cp=3198

Safety Factor=2.2

Tension Assumption: Air weight of csg

T=29\*5000 T=145,000

Body Yield SF = 4.7 Joint Strength SF= 4.0

### **CEMENT PROGRAM**

String	Design	Ft. of Fill	Description	Sacks	Excess	Weight (ppg)	Yield (ft3/sk)
Conductor		40'	Premium Type G Cement	150	100%	15.8	1.15
Surface	Lead	1500'	Premium Type V Cement + 3% Salt + 0.25#/sk Flocele	250	50%	11.5	2.81
	Tail	1000'	Premium Type G Cement + 2% CaCl + 0.25#/sk Flocele	410	50%	15.8	1.15
	Top Out Cement	100'	Premium Type G Cement	100		15.8	1.15
Production	Lead	3000'	Conventional cmt + 1.0% extender + 0.7% retarder	250	20%	12.0	1.79
	Tail	2000'	Premium Type G Cement + 2% CaCl + 0.25#/sk Flocele	260	20%	15.8	1.15

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## **Float Equipment and Centralizers**

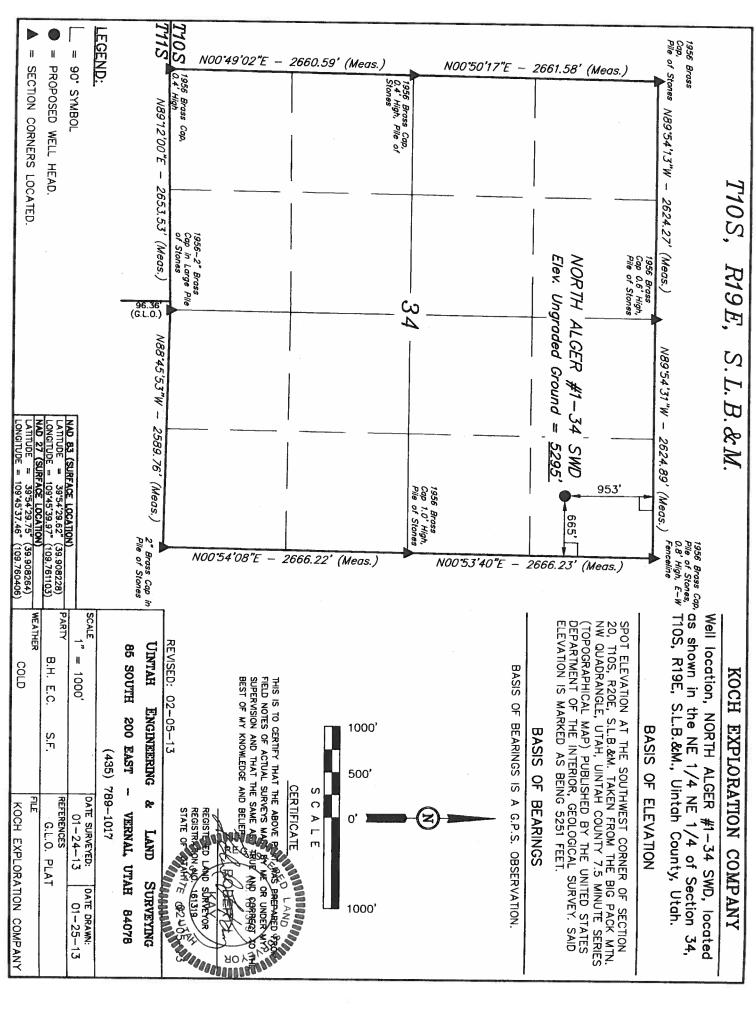
Surface: Float shoe, 1 joint, insert float. Centralize first 3 joints with bow spring centralizers, then every third joint to surface. Thread lock guide shoe.

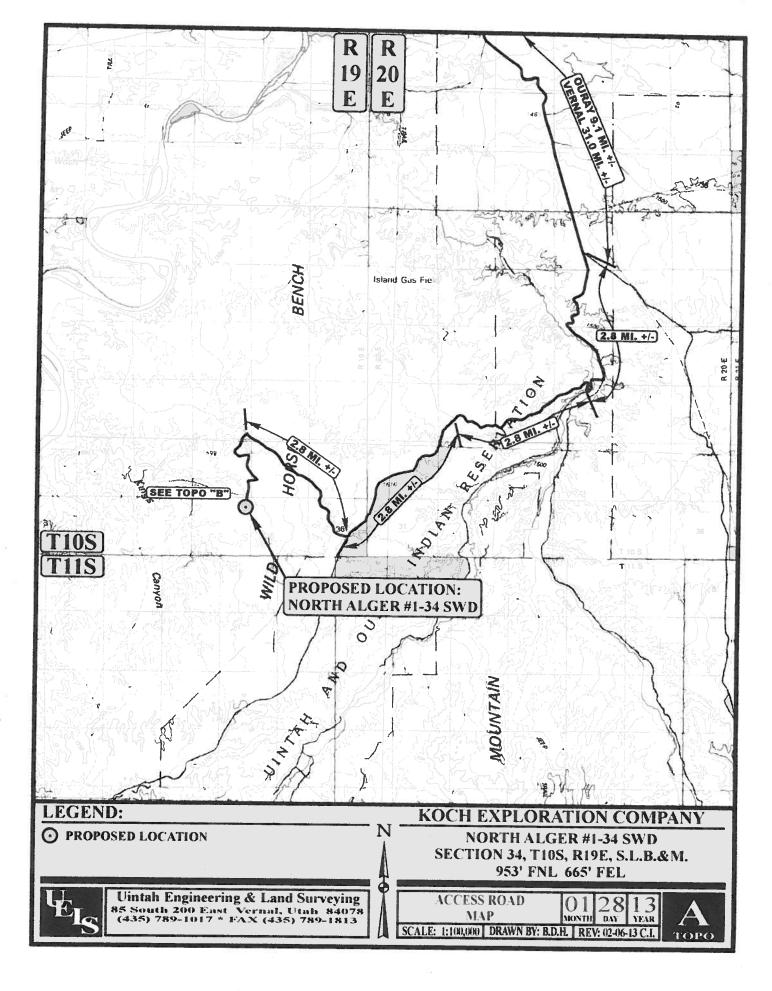
Production: Float shoe, 1 joint, float collar. Centralize first 3 joints with bow spring centralizers then one every third joint into surface casing (2500').

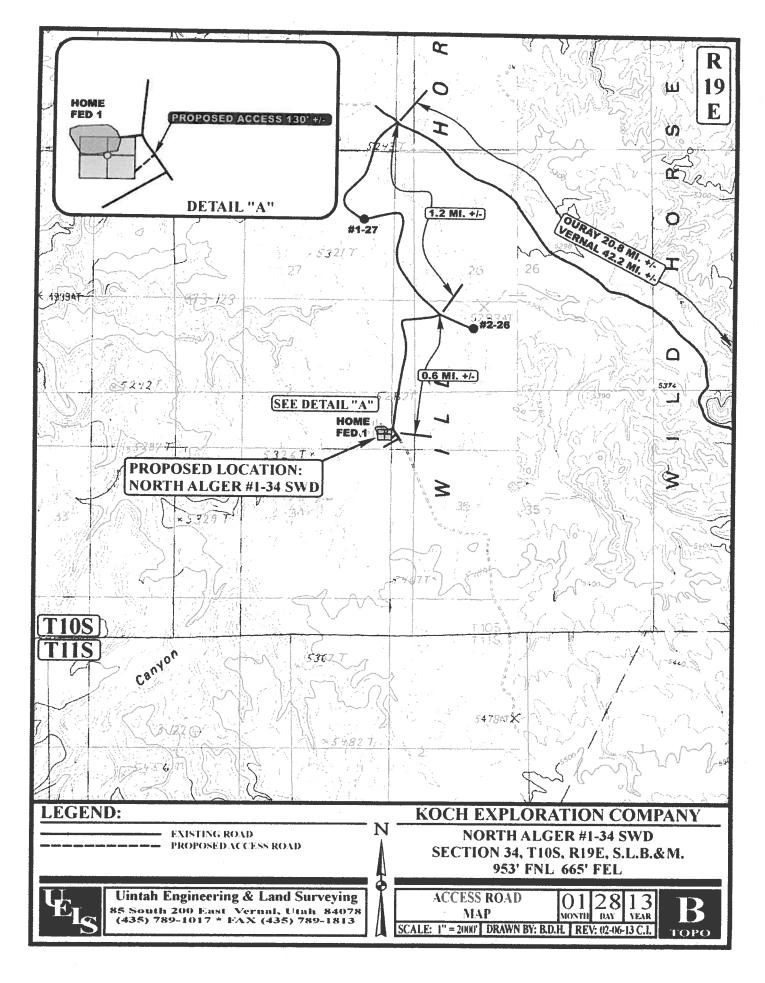
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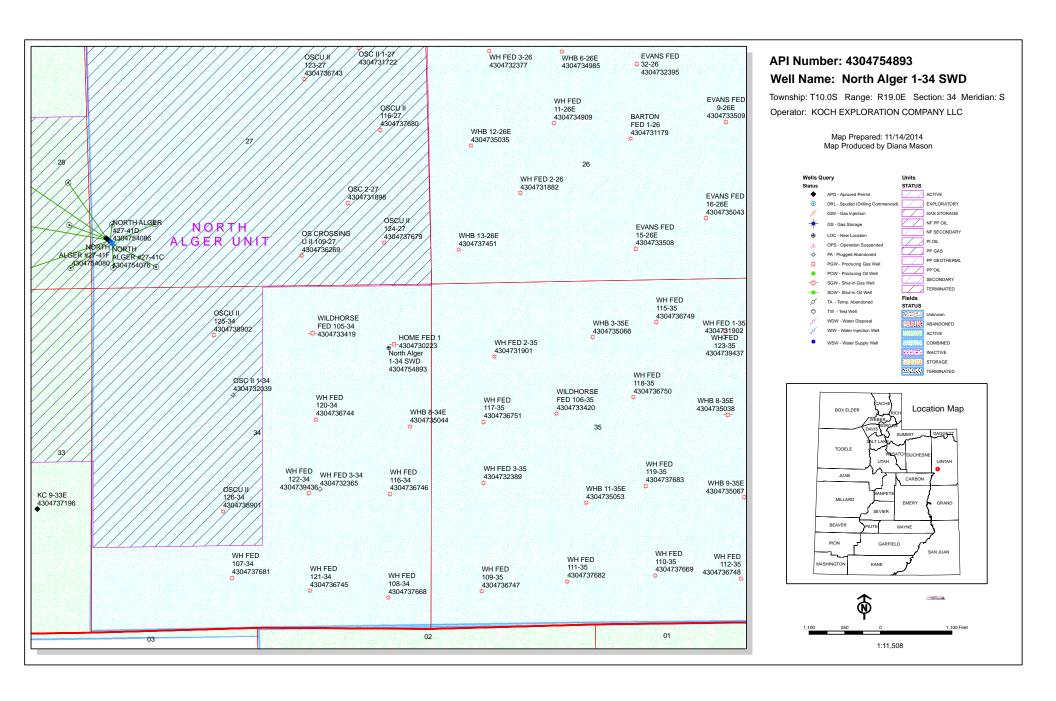
## **MUD PROGRAM**

Hole Size and Casing Size (in)	Depth MD (ft)	Formation Depth (ft)	Formation Top	Mud System	Mud Weight (ppg)	Potential Issues
12 1/4""	40'	0'	Green River	Air Mist	N/A	
						Mud up if needed for over pressured zones
9 5/8""	+/- 2500'	960'	Surface TD			Possible Trona water flows in surface
8 3/4"				Drill with Gyp Water and high vis PHPA/Gel sweeps Gypsum increase the efficiency of dewatering Maintain 3ppb Gypsum to increase dewatering efficiency Additions of PHPA down drill pipe for hole cleaning	8.8-9.0	
		4,326' 4,335'	Wasatch Top Lower Conf	pH maintained @ 9.0-10.0	9.4-9.8	Hydrateable Clays within the Shale
		4,443'	Base Lower Conf.	Low Fluid loss after mud up with PAC material Adjust viscosity utilizing gel - maintain vis 38-42 sec/qt		Shale
					9.9-11.0	Potential Gas - mud up SS in Upper portion
				High viscosity sweeps to ensure proper hole cleaning		Ledge Forming
				Flip to a Potassium Formate system if hole problems exist		Containing Coal seams
				Increase viscosity @ TD to 50-60 sec/qt for logging.	11.0-11.5	Slower Drilling
	5,000' TVD			Chemically thin for CMT		
7"	5,000' MD	5000' TVD	TD		11.0-11.5	



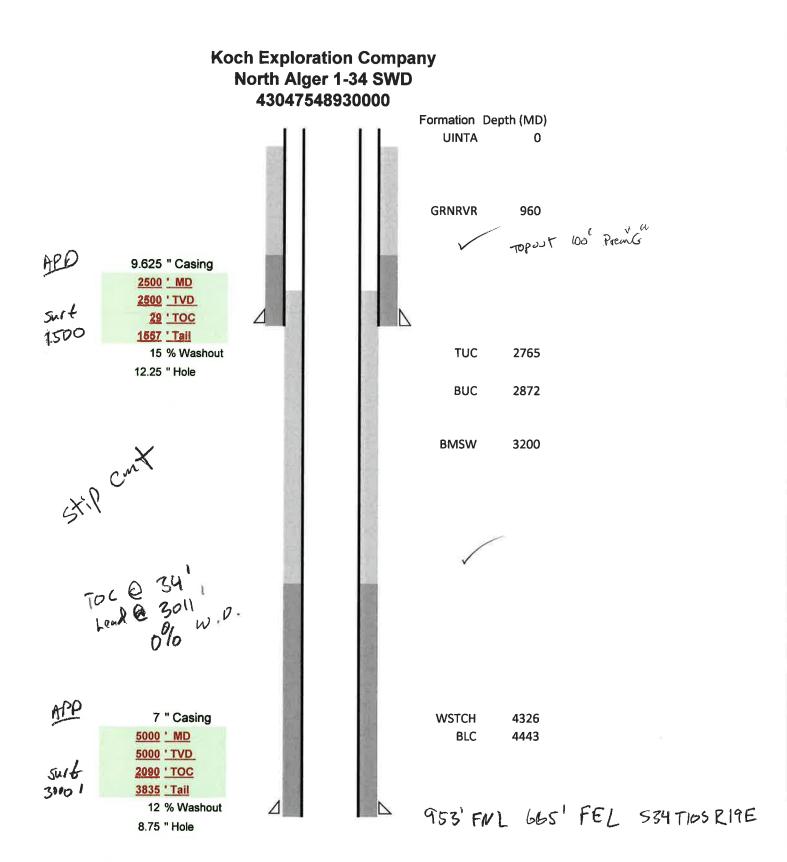






## BOPE REVIEW KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY LLC North Alger 1-34 SWD 43047548930000

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BOPE Proposed (psi)		0	500	5000				<u>-</u>	
Casing Internal Yield (psi)		0	3520	8160				<u>-</u>	
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Strength (psi) Load (psi) Collapse DF 7020 2987 2.35 Internal Grad. Backup Internal (psi) Mud (pne) Mud (pne)
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## Application for Permit to Drill Statement of Basis

## Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

APD No	API WellNo		Status	Well	Гуре	Surf Owner	r CBM
10574	430475489300	000	LOCKED	WD		F	No
Operator	KOCH EXPLOR	ATION COMP	PANY LLC	Surfa	ce Owner-APD	•	
Well Name	North Alger 1-	34 SWD		Unit			
Field	NATURAL BUT	TES		Type	of Work	DRILL	
Location	NENE 34 1	0S 19E S	953 FNL	665 FEL	GPS Coord		
Location	(UTM) 60589	93E 441829	4N				

## **Geologic Statement of Basis**

Koch proposes to set 2,500 feet of surface casing cemented to the surface. The base of the moderately saline water is estimated at 3,200 feet. A search of Division of Water Rights records shows no water wells within a 10,000 foot radius of the proposed location. The surface formation at this location is the Uinta Formation. The Uinta Formation is made up of discontinuous sands interbedded with shales and are not expected to produce prolific aquifers. The proposed Casing and cement program should adequately protect usable ground water. Production casing cement should be brought up above the base of the moderately saline ground water to isolate it from fresher waters uphole.

Brad Hill 12/1/2014 **APD Evaluator Date / Time** 

## **Surface Statement of Basis**

The surface rights at the proposed location are owned by the Federal Government. The operator is responsible for obtaining all necessary surface permits and rights-of-way.

Brad Hill 12/1/2014
Onsite Evaluator Date / Time

Conditions of Approval / Application for Permit to Drill

Category Condition
None

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## **WORKSHEET** APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL

**APD RECEIVED:** 10/30/2014 API NO. ASSIGNED: 43047548930000

WELL NAME: North Alger 1-34 SWD

**OPERATOR:** KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY LLC (N3755) **PHONE NUMBER:** 505 334-9111

CONTACT: J. Darlene Tadlock

PROPOSED LOCATION: NENE 34 100S 190E Permit Tech Review:

> **SURFACE:** 0953 FNL 0665 FEL Engineering Review:

> BOTTOM: 0953 FNL 0665 FEL Geology Review:

**COUNTY: UINTAH** 

**LATITUDE**: 39.90812 LONGITUDE: -109.76112 **UTM SURF EASTINGS: 605893.00** NORTHINGS: 4418294.00

FIELD NAME: NATURAL BUTTES LEASE TYPE: 1 - Federal

LEASE NUMBER: UTU003405 PROPOSED PRODUCING FORMATION(S): WASATCH

SURFACE OWNER: 1 - Federal **COALBED METHANE: NO** 

RECEIVED AND/OR REVIEWED:	LOCATION AND SITING:
<b>⊮</b> PLAT	R649-2-3.
<b>▶ Bond:</b> FEDERAL - 82203357	Unit:
Potash	R649-3-2. General
Oil Shale 190-5	
Oil Shale 190-3	R649-3-3. Exception
Oil Shale 190-13	✓ Drilling Unit
Water Permit: 49-2231, 43-8496, 49-1645	Board Cause No: Cause 259-02
RDCC Review:	Effective Date: 9/27/2012
Fee Surface Agreement	Siting: 4 Wells Per 40 Acres
Intent to Commingle	R649-3-11. Directional Drill
Commingling Approved	

Comments: Presite Completed

Stipulations:

4 - Federal Approval - dmason 5 - Statement of Basis - bhill 12 - Cement Volume (3) - daynedoucet 25 - Surface Casing - daynedoucet 27 - Other - bhill 28 - Other2 - ddoucet



## State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

MICHAEL R. STYLER
Executive Director

Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

JOHN R. BAZA
Division Director

## Permit To Drill

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Well Name: North Alger 1-34 SWD

**API Well Number:** 43047548930000

Lease Number: UTU003405 Surface Owner: FEDERAL Approval Date: 3/2/2015

## Issued to:

KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY LLC, 950 17th Street, Suite 1900, Denver, CO 80202

#### **Authority:**

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. 40-6-1 et seq., and Utah Administrative Code R649-3-1 et seq., the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining issues conditions of approval, and permit to drill the listed well. This permit is issued in accordance with the requirements of Cause 259-02. The expected producing formation or pool is the WASATCH Formation(s), completion into any other zones will require filing a Sundry Notice (Form 9). Completion and commingling of more than one pool will require approval in accordance with R649-3-22.

#### **Duration:**

This approval shall expire one year from the above date unless substantial and continuous operation is underway, or a request for extension is made prior to the expiration date

#### General:

Compliance with the requirements of Utah Admin. R. 649-1 et seq., the Oil and Gas Conservation General Rules, and the applicable terms and provisions of the approved Application for permit to drill.

## **Conditions of Approval:**

State approval of this well does not supercede the required federal approval, which must be obtained prior to drilling.

This well is being permitted as a Salt Water Disposal well only. This well shall not be completed for production without approval from DOGM and BLM.

Compliance with the Conditions of Approval/Application for Permit to Drill outlined in the Statement of Basis (copy attached).

Surface casing shall be cemented to the surface.

Cement volume for the 7" production string shall be determined from actual hole diameter in order to place lead cement from the pipe setting depth back to surface and tail cement to 3000' as indicated in the submitted drilling plan.

A properly maintained and lubricated rotating head shall be used for air drilling.

## **Notification Requirements:**

The operator is required to notify the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of the following actions during drilling of this well:

• Within 24 hours following the spudding of the well - contact Carol Daniels at 801-538-5284

(please leave a voicemail message if not available)

submit an electronic sundry notice (pre-registration required) via the Utah Oil & Gas website

at http://oilgas.ogm.utah.gov

## Reporting Requirements:

All reports, forms and submittals as required by the Utah Oil and Gas Conservation General Rules will be promptly filed with the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, including but not limited to:

- Entity Action Form (Form 6) due within 5 days of spudding the well
- Monthly Status Report (Form 9) due by 5th day of the following calendar month
  - Requests to Change Plans (Form 9) due prior to implementation
  - Written Notice of Emergency Changes (Form 9) due within 5 days
- Notice of Operations Suspension or Resumption (Form 9) due prior to implementation
  - Report of Water Encountered (Form 7) due within 30 days after completion
- Well Completion Report (Form 8) due within 30 days after completion or plugging

Approved By:

For John Rogers Associate Director, Oil & Gas

#### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY **REGION 8**

1595 Wynkoop Street **DENVER, CO 80202-1129** Phone 800-227-8917 http://www.epa.gov/region08

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Ref: 8P-W-UIC

## **CERTIFIED MAIL** RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Doug Howard KOCH Exploration Company, LLC 950 17th Street, #1900 Denver, Colorado 80202

Re: FINAL Permit

EPA UIC Permit UT22301-10483

(43-047-54893) Well: North Alger #1-34 SWD

NENE Sec. 34-T10S-R19E

Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Howard:

Enclosed is your copy of the FINAL Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program Permit for the proposed North Alger #1-34 SWD injection well. A Statement of Basis that discusses the conditions and requirements of this Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) UIC Permit is also included. The public comment period for this permit ended on OCT 14 2015 comments on the draft permit were received during the public notice period; therefore the effective date for this EPA UIC Permit is the date of issuance. All conditions set forth herein refer to Title 40 Parts 124, 144, 146, and 147 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and are regulations that are in effect as of the Effective Date of this Permit.

Please note that under the terms and conditions of this final permit you are authorized only to construct the proposed injection well. Prior to commencing injection, you first must fulfill all "Prior to Commencing Injection" requirements of the final permit, Part II Section C.1, and obtain written Authorization to Inject from EPA. It is your responsibility to be familiar with and to comply with all provisions of your final permit. The EPA forms referenced in the permit are available at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/uic/reportingforms.html. Guidance documents for Cement Bond Logging, Radioactive Tracer Testing, Step Rate Testing, Mechanical Integrity Demonstration,

Sundry Number: 69781 API Well Number: 43047548930000

			FORM 9
	STATE OF UTAH DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCE	-s	
	DIVISION OF OIL, GAS, AND MIN		5.LEASE DESIGNATION AND SERIAL NUMBER: UTU003405
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1. TYPE OF WELL Water Disposal Well			8. WELL NAME and NUMBER: North Alger 1-34 SWD
2. NAME OF OPERATOR: KOCH EXPLORATION COMP	PANY LLC		<b>9. API NUMBER:</b> 43047548930000
3. ADDRESS OF OPERATOR: 950 17th Street, Suite 1900		PHONE NUMBER: 303 325-2562 Ext	9. FIELD and POOL or WILDCAT: NATURAL BUTTES
4. LOCATION OF WELL FOOTAGES AT SURFACE: 0953 FNL 0665 FEL			COUNTY: UINTAH
QTR/QTR, SECTION, TOWNSH	H <b>IP, RANGE, MERIDIAN:</b> 34 Township: 10.0S Range: 19.0E Meridi	an: S	STATE: UTAH
11. CHEC	K APPROPRIATE BOXES TO INDICAT	E NATURE OF NOTICE, REPOR	RT, OR OTHER DATA
TYPE OF SUBMISSION		TYPE OF ACTION	
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NOTICE OF INTENT Approximate date work will start:	CHANGE TO PREVIOUS PLANS	CHANGE TUBING	CHANGE WELL NAME
5/1/2016	CHANGE WELL STATUS	COMMINGLE PRODUCING FORMATIONS	CONVERT WELL TYPE
SUBSEQUENT REPORT	DEEPEN [	FRACTURE TREAT	New construction
Date of Work Completion:	OPERATOR CHANGE	PLUG AND ABANDON	PLUG BACK
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SPUD REPORT Date of Spud:	☐ PRODUCTION START OR RESUME	RECLAMATION OF WELL SITE	☐ RECOMPLETE DIFFERENT FORMATION
Date or Spud:	REPERFORATE CURRENT FORMATION	SIDETRACK TO REPAIR WELL	☐ TEMPORARY ABANDON
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DRILLING REPORT Report Date:	WATER SHUTOFF	SI TA STATUS EXTENSION	✓ APD EXTENSION
	WILDCAT WELL DETERMINATION	OTHER	OTHER:
KOCH EXPLORATION	COMPLETED OPERATIONS. Clearly show all ON COMPANY LLC WISHES TO FENSION FOR THE APD ON THI	PURSUE A ONE YEAR	Approved by the Utebruarisms 2016 Oil, Gas and Mining
			Date:
			By: bally
NAME (PLEASE PRINT) Theron Hoedel	PHONE NUMBE 303 325-2565	R TITLE Operations Engineer	
SIGNATURE		DATE	
N/A		2/12/2016	

RECEIVED: Feb. 12, 2016

Sundry Number: 69781 API Well Number: 43047548930000



## The Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining

- State of Utah
- Department of Natural Resources

**Electronic Permitting System - Sundry Notices** 

## Request for Permit Extension Validation Well Number 43047548930000

**API:** 43047548930000 **Well Name:** North Alger 1-34 SWD

Location: 0953 FNL 0665 FEL QTR NENE SEC 34 TWNP 100S RNG 190E MER S

Company Permit Issued to: KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY LLC

Date Original Permit Issued: 3/2/2015

The undersigned as owner with legal rights to drill on the property as permitted above, hereby verifies that the information as submitted in the previously approved application to drill, remains valid and does not require revision. Following is a checklist of some items related to the application, which should be verified.

• If located on private land, has the ownership changed, if so, has the surface agreement been updated?  Yes  No
<ul> <li>Have any wells been drilled in the vicinity of the proposed well which would affect the spacing or siting requirements for this location?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>
• Has there been any unit or other agreements put in place that could affect the permitting or operation of this proposed well? Yes No
• Have there been any changes to the access route including ownership, or rightof- way, which could affect the proposed location?  Yes  No
• Has the approved source of water for drilling changed?   Yes  No
<ul> <li>Have there been any physical changes to the surface location or access route which will require a change in plans from what was discussed at the onsite evaluation?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>
• Is bonding still in place, which covers this proposed well?   Yes   No
neture: Theren Headel Peter 2/42/2016

Signature: Theron Hoedel Date: 2/12/2016

Title: Operations Engineer Representing: KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY LLC

Sundry Number: 69781 API Well Number: 43047548930000

43047548930000



API:

## Application for Permit to Drill Request for Permit Extension Validation

Validation
(this form should accompany the Sundry Notice requesting permit extension)

Well Name: NORTH ALGER 1-34 SWD  Location: 953 FNL, 665 FEL, NENE SEC 34 T10S R19E  Company Permit Issued to: KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY LLC  Date Original Permit Issued: 3/2/2015
The undersigned as owner with legal rights to drill on the property as permitted above, hereby verifies that the information as submitted in the previously approved application to drill, remains valid and does not require revision.
Following is a checklist of some items related to the application, which should be verified.
If located on private land, has the ownership changed, if so, has the surface agreement been updated? Yes \( \text{No} \) \( \text{N} \) \( \text{SLM} \) \( \text{SURFACE} \)
Have any wells been drilled in the vicinity of the proposed well which would affect the spacing or siting requirements for this location? Yes□No☑
Has there been any unit or other agreements put in place that could affect the permitting or operation of this proposed well? Yes□No☑
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Has the approved source of water for drilling changed? Yes□Noi
Have there been any physical changes to the surface location or access route which will require a change in plans from what was discussed at the onsite evaluation? Yes□No☑
Is bonding still in place, which covers this proposed well? Yes ☑ No ☐
Signature Date
Title: OPERATIONS ENGINEER
Representing: KOCH EXPLORATION COMPANY LLC



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## <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

Douglas Howard
Vice President Operations
KOCH Exploration Company, LLC
950 17th Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

34 10S 19E

RE: Underground Injection Control, Authorization to Commence Injection EPA UIC Permit UT22301-10483, North Alger #1-34 SWD Well, API # 43-047-54893

Dear Mr. Howard:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 8 UIC Program has received and approved initially required logs and tests for the North Alger #1-34 salt water disposal (SWD) injection well, satisfactorily meeting all "Prior to Commencing Injection" requirements under Final UIC Permit UT22301-10483. KOCH Exploration Company, LLC (KOCH) is hereby authorized to commence injection into the North Alger #1-34 SWD at the Maximum Allowable Injection Pressure (MAIP) of 990 psig, as measured at the well head.

Responsibility for permit compliance and enforcement is now transferred to the EPA Region 8 UIC Technical Enforcement Program. Please direct all monitoring and compliance correspondence, referencing the well name and UIC permit number on all correspondence regarding this well to:

Mr. Gary Wang
UIC Technical Enforcement Program
USEPA Region 8: Mail Code 8ENF-UFO
1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, Colorado 80202-1129

Please remember that it is KOCH's responsibility to be aware of, and to comply with, all conditions of Permit UT22301-10483 for the North Alger#1-34 SWD well. Please email results of the Step Rate Test (SRT) within 90-days of the effective date of this letter to William Gallant, with contact information below.

If you have questions regarding the above action, please call William Gallant of my staff at (303) 312-6001 or (800) 227-8917, extension 312-6455, or email at <a href="mailto:gallant.william@epa.gov">gallant.william@epa.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Darcy O'Connor

Acting Assistant Regional Administrator Office of Partnerships and Regulatory Assistance

cc:

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